



EA-03-086

Palo Verde Nuclear
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Reference: 1) NRC Order dated April 29, 2003, Requiring Compliance with Revised Design Basis Threat ("Order EA-03-086" or "Order")
2) APS letter no. 102-05098-GRO/RAS, dated 04/28/2004, from G. R. Overbeck, to NRC, Subject: Supplemental Response to the April 29, 2003, Orders to Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)
3) NRC and APS telecommunications between October 12, 2004 and October 20, 2004, regarding revisions to the PVNGS Security Plan

Subject: **Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)**
Units 1, 2 and 3
Docket No. STN 50-528; 50-529; 50-530
License No. NPF-41; NPF-51; NPF-74
APS Response to NRC Requests for Clarifications to the PVNGS Security Plan

Dear Sirs:

The NRC issued an Order dated April 29, 2003, requiring compliance with revised Design Basis Threat ("Order EA-03-086" or "Order", Reference 1) and other security related Orders (collectively "Orders") for the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station.

Order EA-03-086 imposes license conditions on nuclear power plants licensed pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 and Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Section III.A of the Order requires licensees to revise their physical security plans and safeguards contingency plans to provide protection against the revised design basis threat (DBT) set forth in Attachment 2 to the Order. Section III.A also requires licensees to revise the security force training and qualification plan to implement the revised DBT. These revised plans, along with an implementation schedule, were required to be submitted to the Commission for review and approval no later than April 29, 2004.

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In accordance with the Order and 10CFR § 50.4, APS submitted this Supplemental Response (Reference 2) on April 28, 2004.

Between October 12, 2004, and October 20, 2004, the NRC requested that APS make certain clarifications to the revised PVNGS Security Plan, as a result of final NRC reviews. Upon review, APS has determined the requested clarifications are reasonable to achieve the desired objectives and has incorporated the security plan language requested by the NRC.

Revision 0 of the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station Security Plan, Training and Qualification Plan, Safeguards Contingency Plan, and Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation Security Program incorporating the requested changes is enclosed.

If you have questions regarding this submittal, please contact Daniel G. Marks, Section Leader, Regulatory Affairs, at (623) 393-6492.

Arizona Public Service Company makes no commitments in this letter.

The material enclosed herewith contains Safeguards Information as defined by 10 CFR 73.21 and its disclosure to unauthorized individuals is prohibited by Section 147 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure: Revision 0 of the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station Security Plan, Training and Qualification Plan, Safeguards Contingency Plan, and Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation Security Program

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